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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

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Dubs Death

TO:
FROM:

March 7, 1979

Dear Ambassador Sole:

Thank you very much for your message of condolence to the Acting Secretary on the sad occasion of the death of our Ambassador to Afghanistan, Adolph Dubs. Ambassador Dubs was one of our ablest Foreign Service Officers and will be greatly missed by his American colleagues and the many diplomats and others who knew him in the course of his career.

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Let me again express my personal appreciation and that of the United States Government for your letter.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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His Excellency
Donald Bell Sole,
Ambassador of South Africa.

EMBASSY OF SOUTH AFRICA
3051 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20008

15 February 1979

The Honourable
Warren Christopher,
Acting Secretary of State,
Room 7220,
U.S. Department of State,
WASHINGTON D.C. 20520.

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Dear Mr. Christopher,

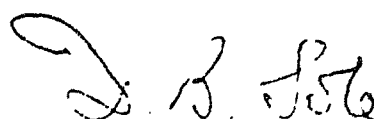
In my capacity, both as Ambassador in Washington and as doyen of South Africa's ambassadors abroad, I write to convey on behalf of our Foreign Service our deepest sympathy at the loss which the United States Foreign Service has sustained in the tragic and apparently unnecessary death of Ambassador Adolph Dubs.

The forces of violence around the world are increasingly exposing members of diplomatic missions to the horrors of kidnapping, hostage taking and assassination. More so than at any recent time in history, diplomats are in the front line and American diplomats in particular have taken a heavy toll. Ambassador Dubs and other United States ambassadors who have paid with their lives, have set an example of steadfast devotion to duty which commands the admiration of all of us who serve in a foreign service.

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We in the South African Foreign Service mourn with
you and your colleagues.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "D. B. Sole". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

DONALD B. SOLE
Ambassador



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
ACTION MEMORANDUM

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March 5, 1979

TO: The Secretary

FROM: AF - Richard M. Moose

Letter from Donald Sole
South African Ambassador

Ambassador Sole wrote to the Acting Secretary expressing condolences over the death of Ambassador Dubs. We have prepared a response for your signature.

Recommendation:

That you sign the attached letter.

Attachment:

Letter to Ambassador Sole

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M/CT:Mr. Johnson

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